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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 30, 2007 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 30, 2007. A shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e. on January 30, 2008. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.